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THE GLUE~ Martha

The 1 minute Glue: We all have some Martha and some Mary in us. Martha was service minded while Mary was relationship minded. God tells us that it is best to seek His face and have a personal relationship with Him. When we come into full agreement with God through our relationship with Him that is when He can have a powerful impact through us in our hearts, lives and ministry.

Martha

...if My people who are called by My name will humble themselves, and pray and seek **My face**, and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin and heal their land. **2 Chron 7:14**

Now it happened as they went that He entered a certain village; and a certain woman named Martha welcomed Him into her house. And she had a sister called Mary, who also sat at Jesus' feet and heard His word. But Martha was distracted (dragged down, cumbered, busy with work, over burdened) with much serving, (completely occupied with service and not Christ) and she approached Him and said, "Lord, do You not care that my sister has left me to serve alone? (She is accusing God, thinking I am alone, no one cares about me, I am the only one carrying the load, she is struggling with self pity and abandonment) Therefore tell her to help me." (She tells God what He should be doing) And Jesus answered and said to her, "Martha, Martha, (By saying her name twice God is emphasizing her value and His love for her) you are worried and troubled about many things. (this has given you a bad perspective) But one thing is needed, and Mary has chosen that good part, which will not be taken away from her. **Luke 10:38-42** To Mary(s) - It is the Lord that is the good part and though others accuse you of being lazy or too spiritual, God will not allow them to take it away from you.

Read John 11:1-44 **5 Now Jesus loved Martha** and her sister and Lazarus. **20 Now Martha**, as soon as she heard that Jesus was coming, went and met Him, but Mary was sitting in the house. **21 Now Martha said to Jesus**, "Lord, if You had been here, my brother would not have died. **22 But even now I know that whatever You ask of God, God will give You."** **23 Jesus said to her**, "Your brother will rise again." **24 Martha said to Him**, "I know that he will rise again in the resurrection at the last day." (speaking from her head and declaring that she believes something that she is unaware of) **25 Jesus said to her**, "I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in Me, though he may die, he shall live. **26 And whoever lives and believes in Me shall never die. Do you believe this?"** **27 She said to Him**, "Yes, Lord, I believe that You are the Christ, the Son of God, who is to come into the world." **28 And when she had said these things, she went her way and secretly called Mary her sister, saying**, "The Teacher has come and is calling for you." **39 Jesus said**, "Take away the stone." **Martha, the sister of him who was dead, said to Him**, "Lord, by this time there is a stench, for he has been dead four days." (very practical) **40 Jesus said to her**, "Did I not say to you that if you would believe you would see the glory of God?" Martha(s) often miss the glory of God in practical unbelief.

Positives about Martha

- Good leaders
- Great servants to God and others
- Self initiate
- Enjoy hospitality

- Accountable
- Responsible
- Organized
- Do things well and with quality
- Can count on them.
- Care a lot about character issues and honesty and truth
- Have a high sense of justice

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Negatives about Martha

- Have a hard time enjoying the moment.
- Tend to carry a lot of stress because they believe everything is up to them.
- So concerned about getting things done that they miss out on living life.
- Does God like me?
- Do I have a place in this world? Leads to isolation.
- Says things like no cares about me enough to....
- Always felt rejected by one of your parents and apply that to your heavenly Father.
- Looks to man for approval, hope, acceptance and love often times through service. Driven to despair.
- They feel loved conditionally and give love conditionally based upon usefulness. They believe I am loved as long as I am useful. (We love others as we feel loved or think we receive love. Some of you are crushing your children because they don't measure up to your performance oriented mindset and you're actually driving them away from yourself and God.)
- Believe they are servants, not sons or daughters
- Hate themselves and take it out on others
- Receive their identity through service.
- They never measure up to their own expectations which often leads them to depression.
- They say, 'it is all up to me.' and it becomes all about them.
- Accomplishment is more important than people.
- They long for a pat on the back for their activities

Martha(s) tend to have make agreements with religious spirits.

Religious Spirit

- Puts confidence in its understanding of theology and religious practices and how they perceive them to be. Ultimately it is self trust and trust in principles and concepts the way you understand them to be instead of the person of Christ.
- Having relationship is foreign to them.
- More concerned about right and wrong then relationship with God and others
- Love and acceptance is given when others have right thinking like them.
- Love is based on performance and understanding.
- Unconditional love and acceptance is unknown and an offense to them.
- Grace is only a concept and is seldom given.
- They love to 'fix peoples thinking' because they believe everything is riding on it.
- Wants to understand God instead of know Him intimately
- Feels safe in their own understanding and believes if they get it right then they are ok.
- Pursues knowledge yet misses God
- Judges those who are not perfectly aligned with their thoughts on subjects of importance to them

- Judges those who are not perfectly aligned with their thoughts on subjects of importance to them.
- Fueled by an inordinate fear of God and man.
- I have to get it right or I won't get love and acceptance from God or others.

July 9th My Utmost For His Highest

Have you the slightest reliance on anything other than God? Is there a remnant of reliance left on any natural virtue, any set of circumstances? Are you relying on yourself in any particular in this new proposition which God has put before you? That is what the probing means. It is quite true to say - "I cannot live a holy life," but you can decide to let Jesus Christ make you holy. "Ye cannot serve the Lord God"; but you can put yourself in the place where God's almighty power will come through you. Are you sufficiently right with God to expect Him to manifest His wonderful life in you?

Watch this powerful testimony of a Martha encountering the Father's love: <http://cmp.ihop.tv/gp.php?pid=5RBPHjgG9JLB8uHJ69nb9k2T6EnEof31> start at 1:14 on video

Our vision is to glorify God by being a life-giving church that reaches the lost, disciples the heart and equips God's people to observe all that Jesus has commanded.

Service: Sunday: 9:30am

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